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In The Specification

Please replace the paragraph at page 40, lines 11-19 with replacement paragraph as follows:

~~The result of~~ For the genomic analyses ~~are summarized below in table I~~ for patients and ~~Table II~~ for control donors, ~~The~~ the relative allele differences with respect to the CD45 control fraction A (reference) ~~are shown~~ were determined. The cut-off of the LOH analyses with respect to the control was set to a value of  $\leq 0.5$ , i.e. a positive result has at least a difference of 50%. The amplification analyses had a cut-off of 2.0.